

trigger frequencies of devices to be operated independently are separated by at least 3kHz.

7.(Amended herein) A system according to claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ comprising optical pathway means for directing light from the light source to the plurality of actuation gateways.

8.(Previously presented) A system according to claim 7 wherein the optical pathway means comprises a branched network of optical fibers connected by optical couplers.

9.(Previously presented) A system according to claim 8 wherein the optical couplers provide optical power of 40 to 50mW to each actuation gateway.

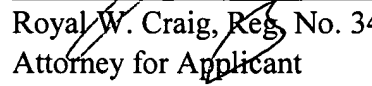
10.(Amended herein) A method of actuating a plurality of electrical devices, comprising providing an actuation system for the said devices according to claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~, and selectively actuating a device by illuminating the actuation gateways with light pulsed at a frequency that corresponds to the trigger frequency of the selected device.

#### REMARKS

Consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. This Amendment is submitted to implement the same changes as previously attempted but additionally conforms to current amendment practice so as to present a complete set of the currently amended claims for the Examiner's benefit. Claims 3-7 and 10 are herein amended to eliminate multiple dependencies.

It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, and such a Notice is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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